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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 19a-72 of the
- 2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- 4 (3) "Health care provider" means any person or organization that
- 5 furnishes health care services and is licensed or certified to furnish
- 6 such services pursuant to chapters 370, 372, 373, 375, 378 and 379 or is
- 7 licensed or certified pursuant to chapter [368d] 384d;
- 8 Sec. 2. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (15) of subsection (a) of
- 9 section 19a-14 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is
- 10 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 11 *October 1, 2018*):
- 12 (B) Not further disclose patient medical records received pursuant
- 13 to the provisions of this subdivision or personnel records received

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- 14 <u>during the course of the investigation</u>. Patient records received
- pursuant to this subdivision or personnel records received during the
- 16 <u>course of the investigation</u> shall not be subject to disclosure under
- 17 section 1-210.
- Sec. 3. Subsection (b) of section 19a-499 of the general statutes is
- 19 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 20 *October* 1, 2018):
- 21 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
- 22 all records obtained by the commissioner in connection with any
- 23 investigation under this chapter shall not be subject to the provisions
- of section 1-210 for a period of six months from the date of the petition
- or other event initiating such investigation, or until such time as the
- 26 investigation is terminated pursuant to a withdrawal or other informal
- 27 disposition or until a hearing is convened pursuant to chapter 54,
- 28 whichever is earlier, except those medical and personnel records
- 29 described in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (15) of subsection (a) of
- 30 section 19a-14, as amended by this act, shall not be subject to
- 31 <u>disclosure under section 1-210</u>. A complaint, as defined in subdivision
- 32 (6) of section 19a-13, shall be subject to the provisions of section 1-210
- 33 from the time that it is served or mailed to the respondent. Records
- 34 which are otherwise public records shall not be deemed confidential
- 35 merely because they have been obtained in connection with an
- 36 investigation under this chapter.
- 37 Sec. 4. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 20-126*l* of the 2018
- 38 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
- 39 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- 40 (2) "Public health facility" means an institution, as defined in section
- 41 19a-490, a community health center, a group home, a school, a
- 42 preschool operated by a local or regional board of education, [or] a
- 43 head start program or a program offered or sponsored by the federal
- 44 Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children,
- 45 <u>or a senior center;</u>

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- 46 Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 19a-6i of the 2018 supplement to the 47 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu 48 thereof (Effective October 1, 2018):
- 49 (b) The committee shall be composed of the following members:
- 50 (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, 51 who shall be a family advocate or a parent whose child utilizes school-52 based health center services;
- 53 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who 54 shall be a school nurse;
- 55 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of 56 Representatives, who shall be a representative of a school-based health 57 center that is sponsored by a community health center;
- 58 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be 59 a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a 60 nonprofit health care agency;
- 61 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of 62 Representatives, who shall be a representative of a school-based health 63 center that is sponsored by a school or school system;
 - (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that does not receive state funds;

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- 67 (7) Two appointed by the Governor, one each of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy 69 of Pediatrics and a representative of a school-based health center that 70 is sponsored by a hospital;
- 71 (8) [One] Three appointed by the Commissioner of Public Health, 72 [who] one of whom shall be a representative of a school-based health 73 center that is sponsored by a local health department, one of whom 74 shall be from a municipality that has a population of at least fifty

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- 75 thousand but less than one hundred thousand and that operates a
- 76 school-based health center and one of whom shall be from a
- 77 municipality that has a population of at least one hundred thousand
- 78 and that operates a school-based health center;
- 79 (9) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's 80 designee;
- 81 (10) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's 82 designee;
- 83 (11) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or 84 the commissioner's designee;
- 85 (12) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's 86 designee;
- 87 (13) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee;
- [(13)] (14) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee; and
- 91 [(14)] (15) Three school-based health center providers, one of whom
- 92 shall be the executive director of the Connecticut Association of
- 93 School-Based Health Centers and two of whom shall be appointed by
- 94 the board of directors of the Connecticut Association of School-Based
- 95 Health Centers.
- 96 Sec. 6. Subsection (c) of section 7-51a of the general statutes is
- 97 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 98 *October* 1, 2018):
- 99 (c) For deaths occurring [after December 31, 2001] on or after July 1,
- 100 1997, the Social Security number [, occupation, business or industry,
- 101 race, Hispanic origin if applicable, and educational level] of the
- deceased person [, if known,] shall be recorded in the "administrative
- 103 purposes" section of the death certificate. Such administrative

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purposes section, and the Social Security number contained therein, shall be restricted and disclosed only to the following eligible parties: (1) All parties specified on the death certificate, including the informant, licensed funeral director, licensed embalmer, conservator, surviving spouse, physician and town clerk, [shall have access to the Social Security numbers of the decedent as well as other information contained in the "administrative purposes" section specified on the original death certificate for the purpose of processing the certificate, [. For any death occurring after July 1, 1997, only] (2) the surviving spouse, (3) the next of kin, or (4) any state and federal agencies authorized by federal law. [may receive a certified copy of a death certificate with the decedent's Social Security number or the complete "administrative purposes" section included on the certificate. Any The department shall provide any other individual, researcher or state or <u>federal agency</u> requesting a <u>certified or uncertified</u> death certificate, or the information contained within such certificate, for a death occurring on or after July 1, 1997, [may obtain the information included in the "administrative purposes" section of such certificate, except that the such certificate or information. The decedent's Social Security number shall be removed or redacted from such certificate or information or the administrative purposes section shall be omitted from such certificate.

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Sec. 7. Section 19a-62a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

[(a) (1) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Public Health, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, shall establish a pilot program for the early identification and treatment of pediatric asthma. The Commissioner of Public Health shall make grants-in-aid under the pilot program for projects to be established in two municipalities to identify, screen and refer children with asthma for treatment. Such projects shall work cooperatively with providers of maternal and child health, including, but not limited to, local health departments, community health centers, Healthy Start and the Nurturing Families Network established pursuant to section 17b-751b,

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142 innovative outreach initiatives targeting urban areas to encourage

143 early screening of children at risk of asthma.

- (2) The Commissioner of Public Health shall evaluate the pilot program established under this subsection and shall submit a report of the commissioner's findings and recommendations to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, human services and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, not later than October 1, 2001, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.]
- [(b) Not later than January 1, 2003, the] (a) The Commissioner of Public Health shall [establish and] maintain a system of monitoring asthma [. Such system shall include, but not be limited to, annual surveys of asthma in schools and reports of asthma visits and the number of persons having asthma as voluntarily reported by health care providers. The monitoring system may include reports of the number of persons having asthma medication prescriptions filled by pharmacies in this state. Such system shall be used by the commissioner in estimating the annual incidence and distribution of asthma in the state, including, but not limited to, such incidence and distribution based on age and gender and among ethnic, racial and cultural populations and on school enrollment and the education reference group, as determined by the Department of Education, for the town or regional school district in which the student's school is located.
- (c) The Commissioner of Public Health, in consultation with local directors of health, shall establish a comprehensive state-wide asthma plan. Not later than October 1, 2002, the commissioner shall develop a model case definition of asthma for purposes of asthma diagnosis and monitoring.

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(d) Not later than October 1, 2003, and annually thereafter, the 172 commissioner shall submit a report of the status and results of the 173 monitoring system established under subsection (b) of this section and 174 the state-wide asthma plan established under subsection (c) of this section to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly 176 having cognizance of matters relating to public health, in accordance 177 with the provisions of section 11-4a.] screening information reported to 178 the Department of Public Health pursuant to subsection (f) of section 179 10-206, as amended by this act.

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(b) Not later than October 1, 2021, and triennially thereafter, the Department of Public Health shall post on its Internet web site the activities of the asthma screening monitoring system maintained under subsection (a) of this section, including a report of the information obtained by the department pursuant to subsection (f) of section 10-206, as amended by this act.

Sec. 8. Subsection (b) of section 10-206 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2018):

(b) Each local or regional board of education shall require each child to have a health assessment prior to public school enrollment. The assessment shall include: (1) A physical examination which shall include hematocrit or hemoglobin tests, height, weight, blood pressure, and, beginning with the 2003-2004 school year, a chronic disease assessment which shall include, but not be limited to, asthma. [as defined by the Commissioner of Public Health pursuant to subsection (c) of section 19a-62a.] The assessment form shall include (A) a check box for the provider conducting the assessment, as provided in subsection (a) of this section, to indicate an asthma diagnosis, (B) screening questions relating to appropriate public health concerns to be answered by the parent or guardian, and (C) screening questions to be answered by such provider; (2) an updating of immunizations as required under section 10-204a, provided a registered nurse may only update said immunizations pursuant to a

LCO No. 891 **7** of 49 written order by a physician or physician assistant, licensed pursuant to chapter 370, or an advanced practice registered nurse, licensed pursuant to chapter 378; (3) vision, hearing, speech and gross dental screenings; and (4) such other information, including health and developmental history, as the physician feels is necessary and appropriate. The assessment shall also include tests for tuberculosis, sickle cell anemia or Cooley's anemia and tests for lead levels in the blood where the local or regional board of education determines after consultation with the school medical advisor and the local health department, or in the case of a regional board of education, each local health department, that such tests are necessary, provided a registered nurse may only perform said tests pursuant to the written order of a physician or physician assistant, licensed pursuant to chapter 370, or an advanced practice registered nurse, licensed pursuant to chapter 378.

- Sec. 9. Subsection (f) of section 10-206 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- (f) On and after October 1, 2017, each local or regional board of education shall report to the local health department and the Department of Public Health, on an triennial basis, the total number of pupils per school and per school district having a diagnosis of asthma (1) at the time of public school enrollment, (2) in grade six or seven, and (3) in grade ten or eleven. The report shall contain the asthma information collected as required under subsections (b) and (c) of this section and shall include pupil age, gender, race, ethnicity and school. Beginning on October 1, [2004] 2021, and every three years thereafter, the Department of Public Health shall review the asthma screening information reported pursuant to this section and shall submit a report to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health and education concerning asthma trends and distributions among pupils enrolled in the public schools. The report shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a and shall include, but not be limited to,

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- 238 (A) trends and findings based on pupil age, gender, race, ethnicity,
- 239 school and the education reference group, as determined by the
- Department of Education for the town or regional school district in
- 241 which such school is located, and (B) activities of the asthma screening
- 242 <u>monitoring system maintained under section 19a-62a, as amended by</u>
- 243 this act.

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- Sec. 10. Subsection (c) of section 20-195q of the general statutes is
- 245 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 246 October 1, 2018):
 - (c) Nothing in this [section] chapter shall prohibit: (1) A student enrolled in a doctoral or master's degree program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education from performing such work as is incidental to his course of study, provided such person is designated by a title which clearly indicates his status as a student; (2) a person licensed or certified in this state in a field other than clinical social work from practicing within the scope of such license or certification; (3) a person enrolled in an educational program or fulfilling other state requirements leading to licensure or certification in a field other than social work from engaging in work in such other field; (4) a person who is employed or retained as a social work designee, social worker, or social work consultant by a nursing home or rest home licensed under section 19a-490 and who meets the qualifications prescribed by the department in its regulations from performing the duties required of them in accordance with state and federal laws governing those duties; (5) for the period from October 1, 2010, to October 1, 2013, inclusive, a master social worker from engaging in independent practice; (6) a social worker from practicing community organization, policy and planning, research or administration that does not include engaging in clinical social work or supervising a social worker engaged in clinical treatment with clients; [and] (7) individuals with a baccalaureate degree in social work from a Council on Social Work Education accredited program from performing nonclinical social work functions; and (8) a person licensed pursuant to chapter 383b who holds a professional educator certificate issued by the State Board

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- 272 of Education pursuant to section 10-145b, with a school social worker
- 273 endorsement, from using the title of school social worker to describe
- 274 such person's activities while working in a public or nonpublic school
- 275 in the state.
- 276 Sec. 11. Subsection (b) of section 19a-496 of the general statutes is
- 277 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 278 October 1, 2018):

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- 279 (b) The department may inspect an institution to determine 280 compliance with applicable state statutes and regulations. Upon a finding of noncompliance with such statutes or regulations, the 282 department shall issue a written notice of noncompliance to the 283 institution. Not later than ten business days after such institution 284 receives a notice of noncompliance, the institution shall submit a plan 285 of correction to the department in response to the items of 286 noncompliance identified in such notice. The plan of correction shall 287 include: (1) The measures that the institution intends to implement or 288 systemic changes that the institution intends to make to prevent a 289 recurrence of each identified issue of noncompliance; (2) the date each 290 such corrective measure or change by the institution is effective; (3) the institution's plan to monitor its quality assessment and performance 292 improvement functions to ensure that the corrective measure or 293 systemic change is sustained; and (4) the title of the institution's staff 294 member that is responsible for ensuring the institution's compliance 295 with its plan of correction. The plan of correction shall be deemed to be 296 the institution's representation of compliance with the identified state 297 statutes or regulations identified in the department's notice of 298 noncompliance. Any institution that fails to submit a plan of correction 299 that meets the requirements of this section may be subject to 300 disciplinary action.
- 301 Sec. 12. Section 19a-490n of the general statutes is repealed and the 302 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- 303 (a) As used in this section [, "commissioner"] and section 19a-490o,

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- 304 as amended by this act:
- 305 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health;
- 306 ["department"]

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- 307 (2) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;
- 308 ["healthcare associated infection"]
- 309 (3) "Health care setting" means any location where health care is provided by a licensed health care professional;
- 311 (4) "Health care facility" means an institution licensed under this 312 chapter;
- 313 (5) "Health care associated infection" means any localized or
- 314 systemic condition resulting from an adverse reaction to the presence
- of an infectious agent or its toxin that [(1)] (A) occurs in a patient in a
- 316 health care setting, [(2)] and (B) was not found to be present or
- 317 incubating at the time of admission unless the infection was related to
- a previous admission to the same health care setting. [, and (3) if the
- 319 setting is a hospital, meets the criteria for a specific infection site, as
- 320 defined by the National Centers for Disease Control; and "hospital"
- 321 means a hospital licensed under this chapter.]
- 322 (b) There is established an Advisory Committee on Healthcare
- 323 Associated Infections [, which] and Antimicrobial Resistance for
- 324 purposes of advising the Department of Public Health on issues
- 325 related to health care associated infections. The advisory committee
- 326 shall consist of the commissioner or the commissioner's designee, and
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- 327 the following members appointed by the commissioner: Two members

representing the Connecticut Hospital Association; two members

representing nursing home facilities; two members representing

- 329 representing outpatient hemodialysis centers; two members
- 330 <u>representing long-term acute care hospitals; two members</u>
- 332 <u>surgical facilities</u>; two members from organizations representing
- 333 health care consumers; two members who are either hospital-based
- 334 infectious disease specialists or epidemiologists with demonstrated

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knowledge and competence in infectious disease related issues; one representative of the Connecticut State Medical Society; representative of the Connecticut Infectious Disease Society; one representative of a clinical microbiology laboratory; one representative of a labor organization representing hospital based nurses; and two public members. [All appointments to the committee shall be made no later than August 1, 2006, and the committee shall convene its first meeting no later than September 1, 2006.]

(c) [The] <u>Upon the request of the commissioner, the</u> Advisory Committee on Healthcare Associated Infections [shall] may meet to:

- (1) Advise the department with respect to the [development, implementation,] operation and monitoring of [a] <u>the</u> mandatory reporting system for healthcare associated infections; <u>and</u>
- (2) Identify, evaluate and recommend to the department appropriate standardized measures, including aggregate and <u>health care</u> facility specific reporting measures for healthcare associated infections <u>and antimicrobial resistance</u> and processes designed to prevent healthcare associated infections <u>and antimicrobial resistance</u> in [hospital settings and] any [other] health care [settings] <u>setting</u> deemed appropriate by the committee. Each such recommended measure shall, to the extent applicable to the type of measure being considered, be (A) capable of being validated, (B) based upon nationally recognized and recommended standards, to the extent such standards exist, (C) based upon competent and reliable scientific evidence, (D) protective of practitioner information and information concerning individual patients, and (E) capable of being used and easily understood by consumers. [; and
- (3) Identify, evaluate and recommend to the Department of Public Health appropriate methods for increasing public awareness about effective measures to reduce the spread of infections in communities and in hospital settings and any other health care settings deemed appropriate by the committee.]

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Sec. 13. Section 19a-490o of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

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- (a) The Department of Public Health shall [consider the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Healthcare Associated Infections established pursuant to section 19a-490n, with respect to the establishment of establish a mandatory reporting system for healthcare associated infections and antimicrobial resistance designed to prevent healthcare associated infections and antimicrobial resistance. Such system shall be based on nationally recognized and recommended standards.
- (b) The Department of Public Health shall [submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health concerning the plan for the mandatory reporting system for healthcare associated infections recommended by the Advisory Committee on Healthcare Associated Infections pursuant to section 19a-490n, and the status of such plan implementation, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.
- (c) On or before May 1, 2011, and annually thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health on the information post annually on the department's Internet web site information collected by the department pursuant to the mandatory reporting system for healthcare associated infections and antimicrobial resistance established under subsection (a) of this section. [, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. Such report shall include, for each facility, information reported to the department or the Medicare Hospital Compare program concerning the number and type of infections, including, but not limited to, central line-associated bloodstream infections, catheter-associated urinary methicillin-resistant tract infections, surgical site infections, staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) infections and Clostridium difficile (C. difficile) infections. Such report shall be posted on the department's Internet web site and made available to the public.

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(d) The department shall post information on its Internet web site regarding healthcare associated infections.] Such information shall include, [clear and easily accessible links on the department's home page to the annual reports submitted in accordance with subsection (c) of this section and to the Medicare Hospital Compare Internet web site to] but need not be limited to, the following: (1) The number and type of health care associated infections and antimicrobial resistance reported by each health care facility; (2) links to the National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's health care associated infection data reports and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' quality improvement program Internet web site; and (3) information to assist members of the public in learning about healthcare associated infections and [comparing the rate of such infections at facilities in the state] antimicrobial resistance and how to prevent such infections and resistance.

- Sec. 14. Subsections (f) to (j), inclusive, of section 19a-127l of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- I(f) The Commissioner of Public Health shall report on the quality of care program on or before June 30, 2003, and annually thereafter, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health and to the Governor. Each report on said program shall include activities of the program during the prior year and a plan of activities for the following year.
 - (g) On or before April 1, 2004, the Commissioner of Public Health shall prepare a report, available to the public, that compares all licensed hospitals in the state based on the quality performance measures developed under the quality of care program.
 - (h) (1) The advisory committee shall examine and evaluate (A) possible approaches that would aid in the utilization of an existing data collection system for cardiac outcomes, and (B) the potential for

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- state-wide use of a data collection system for cardiac outcomes, for the purpose of continuing the delivery of quality cardiac care services in the state.
- (2) On or before December 1, 2007, the advisory committee shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, the results of the examination authorized by this subsection, along with any recommendations, to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health.]
- [(i)] (f) The advisory committee shall establish methods for informing the public regarding access to the department's consumer and regulatory services.
- [(j)] (g) The Department of Public Health may seek out funding for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this section. Said provisions shall be implemented upon receipt of such funding.
- Sec. 15. Section 19a-32 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

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- The Department of Public Health is authorized to receive, hold and use real estate and to receive, hold, invest and disburse money, securities, supplies or equipment offered it for the protection and preservation of the public health and welfare by the federal government, another state or by any person, corporation or association, provided such real estate, money, securities, supplies or equipment shall be used only for the purposes designated by the federal government or such state, person, corporation or association. [Said department shall include in its annual report an account of the property so received, the names of its donors, its location, the use made thereof and the amount of unexpended balances on hand.]
- Sec. 16. Section 19a-538 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

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[On or before January 1, 1977, and annually thereafter, the] The Department of Public Health shall [publish a report,] make available to the public [,] on the department's Internet web site a list that shall include, but need not be limited to, [a list of] (1) all nursing home facilities and residential care homes in this state; [whether such nursing home facilities and residential care homes are proprietary or nonproprietary; (2) the classification of each such nursing home facility and residential care home; [the name of the owner or owners, including the name of any partnership, corporation, trust, individual proprietorship or other legal entity that owns or controls, directly or indirectly, such facility or residential care homes; the total number of beds; the number of private and semiprivate rooms; the religious affiliation, and religious services offered, if any, in the nursing home facility or residential care home; the cost per diem for private patients; the languages spoken by the administrator and staff of such nursing home facility or residential care home; the number of full-time employees and their professions; whether or not such nursing home facility or residential care home accepts Medicare and Medicaid patients; recreational and other programs available and the number and nature of any class A or class B citation issued against such nursing home facility or residential care home in the previous year (3) the number and effective date of the license issued to each such nursing home facility and residential care home; and (4) the address of each such nursing home facility and residential care home.

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Sec. 17. Subdivision (8) of section 19a-177 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

(8) (A) Develop an emergency medical services data collection system. Each emergency medical service organization licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 386d shall submit data to the commissioner, on a quarterly basis, from each licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service that provides emergency medical services. Such submitted data shall include, but not be limited to: (i) The total number of calls for

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emergency medical services received by such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service through the 9-1-1 system during the reporting period; (ii) each level of emergency medical services, as defined in regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-179, required for each such call; (iii) the response time for each licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service during the reporting period; (iv) the number of passed calls, cancelled calls and mutual aid calls, both made and received, during the reporting period; and (v) for the reporting period, the prehospital data for the nonscheduled transport of patients required by regulations adopted pursuant to subdivision (6) of this section. The data required under this subdivision may be submitted in any written or electronic form selected by such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept approved by the commissioner, provided commissioner shall take into consideration the needs of such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service in approving such written or electronic form. The commissioner may conduct an audit of any such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service as the commissioner deems necessary in order to verify the accuracy of such reported data.

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(B) [The] On or before December 31, 2018, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall prepare a report to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board, established pursuant to section 19a-178a, that shall include, but not be limited to, the following data: (i) The total number of calls for emergency medical services received during the reporting year by each licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service; (ii) the level of emergency medical services required for each such call; (iii) the name of the provider of each such level of emergency medical services furnished during the reporting year; (iv) the response time, by time ranges or fractile response times, for each licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service, using a common

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definition of response time, as provided in regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-179; and (v) the number of passed calls, cancelled calls and mutual aid calls during the reporting year. The commissioner shall prepare such report in a format that categorizes such data for each municipality in which the emergency medical services were provided, with each such municipality grouped according to urban, suburban and rural classifications.

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(C) If any licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service does not submit the data required under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision for a period of six consecutive months, or if the commissioner believes that such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service knowingly or intentionally submitted incomplete or false data, the commissioner shall issue a written order directing such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service to comply with the provisions of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision and submit all missing data or such corrected data as the commissioner may require. If such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service fails to fully comply with such order not later than three months from the date such order is issued, the commissioner (i) shall conduct a hearing, in accordance with chapter 54, at which such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service shall be required to show cause why the primary service area assignment of such licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service should not be revoked, and (ii) may take such disciplinary action under section 19a-17 as the commissioner deems appropriate.

(D) The commissioner shall collect the data required by subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, in the manner provided in said subparagraph, from each emergency medical service organization licensed or certified pursuant to this chapter. Any such emergency medical service organization that fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed one hundred

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dollars per day for each failure to report the required data regarding emergency medical services provided to a patient, as determined by the commissioner. The civil penalties set forth in this subparagraph shall be assessed only after the department provides a written notice of deficiency and the organization is afforded the opportunity to respond to such notice. An organization shall have not more than fifteen business days after the date of receiving such notice to provide a written response to the department. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, concerning implementation, monitoring and collection development, emergency medical service system data. All state agencies licensed or certified as emergency medical service organizations shall be exempt from the civil penalties set forth in this subparagraph;

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- (E) The commissioner shall, with the recommendation of the Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board established pursuant to section 19a-178a, adopt for use in trauma data collection the most recent version of the National Trauma Data Bank's National Trauma Data Standards and Data Dictionary and nationally recognized guidelines for field triage of injured patients.
- Sec. 18. Section 20-110 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

The Department of Public Health may, [without examination, issue a license to any dentist who is licensed in some other state or territory, if such other state or territory has requirements for admission determined by the department to be similar to or higher than the requirements of this state, upon certification from the board of examiners or like board of the state or territory in which such dentist was a practitioner certifying to his competency and upon payment of a fee of five hundred sixty-five dollars to said department] upon receipt of an application and a fee of five hundred sixty-five dollars, issue a license without examination to a practicing dentist in another state or territory who (1) holds a current valid license in good professional standing issued after examination by another state or territory that

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597 maintains licensing standards which, except for the practical 598 examination, are commensurate with the state's standards, and (2) has 599 worked continuously as a licensed dentist in an academic or clinical setting in another state or territory for a period of not less than five 600 601 years immediately preceding the application for licensure without 602 examination. No license shall be issued under this section to any 603 applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or 604 who is the subject of an unresolved complaint. The department shall 605 inform the Dental Commission annually of the number of applications 606 it receives for licensure under this section.

- Sec. 19. Subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of section 19a-88 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- 610 (3) Each person holding a license or certificate issued pursuant to chapter 400c shall, annually, during the month of such person's birth, 611 612 apply for renewal of such license or certificate to the department. Each 613 lead training provider certified pursuant to chapter 400c and each asbestos training provider certified pursuant to chapter 400a shall, 614 615 annually, during the anniversary month of such training provider's initial certification, apply for renewal of such certificate to the 616 617 department.
- Sec. 20. Section 19a-36g of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- As used in this section and sections 19a-36h to 19a-36o, inclusive:

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(1) "Catering food service establishment" means a business that is involved in the (A) sale or distribution of food and drink prepared in bulk in one geographic location for retail service in individual portions in another location, or (B) preparation and service of food in a public or private venue that is not under the ownership or control of the operator of such business;

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(2) "Certified food protection manager" means a food employee that has supervisory and management responsibility and the authority to direct and control food preparation and service;

- (3) "Class 1 food establishment" means a <u>retail</u> food establishment that <u>does not serve a population that is highly susceptible to foodborne illnesses and only offers [for retail sale (A) prepackaged food that is not time or temperature controlled for safety, (B)] (A) commercially <u>packaged</u> processed food that (i) is time or temperature controlled for safety and <u>may be</u> heated for hot holding, but (ii) is not permitted to be cooled, or [(C)] (B) food prepared in the establishment that is not time or temperature controlled for safety;</u>
- (4) "Class 2 food establishment" means a retail food establishment that does not serve a population that is highly susceptible to foodborne illnesses and offers a limited menu of food that is prepared, cooked and served immediately, or that prepares and cooks food that is time or temperature controlled for safety and may require hot or cold holding, but that does not involve cooling;
- (5) "Class 3 food establishment" means a retail food establishment that (A) does not serve a population that is highly susceptible to foodborne illnesses, and (B) [has an extensive menu of foods, many of which are] offers food that is time or temperature controlled for safety and [require] requires complex preparation, including, but not limited to, handling of raw ingredients, cooking, cooling and reheating for hot holding;
- (6) "Class 4 food establishment" means a retail food establishment that serves a population that is highly susceptible to food-borne illnesses, including, but not limited to, preschool students, hospital patients and nursing home patients or residents, or that conducts specialized food processes, including, but not limited to, smoking, curing or reduced oxygen packaging for the purposes of extending the shelf life of the food;
- (7) "Cold holding" means maintained at a temperature of forty-one

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- 661 (8) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health or 662 the commissioner's designee;
- 663 (9) "Contact hour" means a minimum of fifty minutes of a training activity;
- (10) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;
- 666 (11) "Director of health" means the director of a local health 667 department or district health department appointed pursuant to 668 section 19a-200 or 19a-242;
- 669 (12) "Food code" means the food code administered under section 670 19a-36h;
- 671 (13) "Food establishment" means an operation that (A) stores, 672 prepares, packages, serves, vends directly to the consumer or 673 otherwise provides food for human consumption, including, but not 674 limited to, a restaurant, catering food service establishment, food 675 service establishment, temporary food service establishment, itinerant 676 food vending establishment, market, conveyance used to transport 677 people, institution or food bank, or (B) relinquishes possession of food 678 to a consumer directly, or indirectly through a delivery service, 679 including, but not limited to, home delivery of grocery orders or 680 restaurant takeout orders or a delivery service that is provided by 681 common carriers. "Food establishment" does not include a vending 682 machine, as defined in section 21a-34, a private residential dwelling in 683 which food is prepared under section 21a-62a or a food manufacturing 684 establishment, as defined in section 21a-151;
 - (14) "Food inspector" means a director of health, or his or her authorized agent, or a registered sanitarian who has been certified as a food inspector by the commissioner;
 - (15) "Food inspection training officer" means a certified food inspector who has received training developed or approved by the

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690 commissioner and been authorized by the commissioner to train 691 candidates for food inspector certification;

- 692 (16) "Food-borne illness" means illness, including, but not limited to, 693 due to heavy metal intoxications, staphylococcal food 694 botulism, salmonellosis, shigellosis, poisoning, Clostridium 695 perfringens intoxication and hepatitis A, acquired through the 696 ingestion of a common-source food or water contaminated with a 697 chemical, infectious agent or the toxic products of a chemical or 698 infectious agent;
- 699 (17) "Food-borne outbreak" means illness, including, but not limited 700 to, illness due to heavy metal intoxications, staphylococcal food 701 botulism, salmonellosis, shigellosis, poisoning, Clostridium 702 perfringens intoxication and hepatitis A, in two or more individuals, 703 acquired through the ingestion of common-source food or water 704 contaminated with a chemical, infectious agent or the toxic products of 705 a chemical or infectious agent;
- 706 (18) "Hot holding" means maintained at a temperature of one 707 hundred thirty-five degrees Fahrenheit or above;
- 708 (19) "Itinerant food vending establishment" means a vehicle-709 mounted, self-contained, mobile food establishment;
- 710 (20) "Permit" means a written document issued by a director of 711 health that authorizes a person to operate a food establishment;
- 712 (21) "Temporary food service establishment" means a food 713 establishment that operates for a period of not more than fourteen 714 consecutive days in conjunction with a single event or celebration;
- 715 (22) "Time or temperature controlled for safety" means maintained 716 at a certain temperature or maintained for a certain length of time, or 717 both, to prevent microbial growth and toxin production; and
- 718 (23) "Variance" means a written document issued by the 719 commissioner that authorizes a modification or waiver of one or more

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- 720 requirements of the food code.
- Sec. 21. Section 19a-36m of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 723 (Effective October 1, 2018):

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- 724 (a) Nothing in this section or sections 19a-36h to 19a-36l, inclusive, 725 shall limit the authority of directors of health under chapter 368e or 726 368f.
- (b) For purposes of this section and sections 19a-36h to 19a-36l, inclusive, the provisions of the general statutes and regulations of Connecticut state agencies pertaining to certified farmers' markets shall not limit the authority of the Commissioner of Agriculture and the director of health to require a farmer to comply with the requirements of sections 22-6r, as amended by this act, and 22-6s.
 - (c) The provisions of the food code that concern the employment of a certified food protection manager and any reporting requirements relative to such certified food <u>protection</u> manager (1) shall not apply to (A) an owner or operator of a soup kitchen that relies exclusively on services provided by volunteers, (B) any volunteer who serves meals from a nonprofit organization, including a temporary food service establishment and a special event sponsored by a nonprofit civic organization, including, but not limited to, school sporting events, little league food booths, church suppers and fairs, or (C) any person who serves meals to individuals at a registered congregate meal site funded under Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended from time to time, that were prepared under the supervision of a certified food protection manager, and (2) shall not prohibit the sale or distribution of food at (A) a bed and breakfast establishment that prepares and offers food to guests, provided the operation is owneroccupied and the total building occupant load is not more than sixteen persons, including the owner and occupants, has no provisions for cooking or warming food in the guest rooms, breakfast is the only meal offered and the consumer of such operation is informed by

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statements contained in published advertisements, mailed brochures and placards posted in the registration area that the food is prepared in a kitchen that is not regulated and inspected by the local health director, and (B) a noncommercial function, including, but not limited to, an educational, religious, political or charitable organization's bake sale or potluck supper, provided the seller or person distributing the food maintains the food at the temperature, pH level and water activity level conditions that will inhibit the growth of infectious or toxigenic microorganisms. For the purposes of this subsection, "noncommercial function" means a function where food is sold or distributed by a person not regularly engaged in the business of selling such food for profit.

(d) The provisions of the food code shall not apply to a residential care home with thirty beds or less that is licensed pursuant to chapter 368v, provided the administrator of the residential care home or the administrator's designee has satisfactorily passed a test as part of a food protection manager certification program that is evaluated and approved by an accrediting agency recognized by the Conference for Food Protection as conforming to its standard for accreditation of food protection manager certification programs, unless such residential care home enters into a service contract with a food establishment or lends, rents or leases any area of its facility to any person or entity for the purpose of preparing or selling food, at which time the provisions of the food code shall apply to such residential care home.

Sec. 22. Subsection (d) of section 22-6r of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

(d) A food establishment, as defined in section 19a-36g, <u>as amended</u> by this act, may purchase farm products that have been produced and are sold in conformance with the applicable regulations of Connecticut state agencies at a farmers' market, provided such establishment requests and obtains an invoice from the farmer or person selling farm products. The farmer or person selling farm products shall provide to

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the food [service] establishment an invoice that indicates the source and date of purchase of the farm products at the time of the sale.

Sec. 23. Subsection (a) of section 19a-36f of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

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- (a) No person shall use or require the use of disposable, nonsterile or sterile natural rubber latex gloves at a retail food establishment. [, including, but not limited to, a food establishment, catering food service establishment or itinerant food vending establishment.]
- Sec. 24. Section 4-106 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- No hospital which receives appropriations made by the General Assembly and which has facilities reasonably suitable for the treatment of [venereal] sexually transmitted diseases shall refuse to admit for treatment any patient suffering from any such disease.
- Sec. 25. Section 18-94 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

When the medical officer of, or any physician or advanced practice registered nurse employed in, any correctional or charitable institution reports in writing to the warden, superintendent or other officer in charge of such institution that any inmate thereof committed thereto by any court or supported therein in whole or in part at public expense is afflicted with any [venereal] sexually transmitted disease so that [his] such inmate's discharge from such institution would be dangerous to the public health, such inmate shall, with the approval of such warden, superintendent or other officer in charge, be detained in such institution until such medical officer, physician or advanced practice registered nurse reports in writing to the warden, superintendent or officer in charge of such institution that such inmate may be discharged therefrom without danger to the public health. During detention the person so detained shall be supported in the

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- Sec. 26. Subsection (a) of section 19a-7p of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- (a) Not later than September first, annually, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, shall (1) determine the amounts appropriated for the syringe services program, AIDS services, breast and cervical cancer detection and treatment, x-ray screening and tuberculosis care, and [venereal] sexually transmitted disease control; and (2) inform the Insurance Commissioner of such amounts.
- Sec. 27. Subsection (a) of section 19a-216 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
 - (a) Any municipal health department, state institution or facility, licensed physician or public or private hospital or clinic, may examine or provide treatment for [venereal] sexually transmitted disease for a minor, if the physician or facility is qualified to provide such examination or treatment. The consent of the parents or guardian of the minor shall not be a prerequisite to the examination or treatment. The physician in charge or other appropriate authority of the facility or the licensed physician concerned shall prescribe an appropriate course of treatment for the minor. The fact of consultation, examination or treatment of a minor under the provisions of this section shall be confidential and shall not be divulged by the facility or physician, including the sending of a bill for the services to any person other than the minor, except for purposes of reports under section 19a-215, and except that, if the minor is not more than twelve years of age, the facility or physician shall report the name, age and address of that minor to the Commissioner of Children and Families or the commissioner's designee who shall proceed thereon as in reports under section 17a-101g.

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Sec. 28. Section 21a-114 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

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The advertisement of a drug or device representing it to have any effect in albuminuria, appendicitis, arteriosclerosis, blood poison, bone disease, Bright's disease, cancer, carbuncles, cholecystitis, diabetes, diphtheria, dropsy, erysipelas, gallstones, heart and vascular diseases, high blood pressure, mastoiditis, measles, meningitis, mumps, nephritis, otitis media, paralysis, pneumonia, poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis), prostate gland disorders, pyelitis, scarlet fever, sexual impotence, sinus infection, smallpox, tuberculosis, tumors, typhoid, uremia or [venereal] sexually transmitted disease, shall also be deemed to be false; except that no advertisement not in violation of section 21a-113 shall be deemed to be false under this section if it is disseminated only to members of the medical, dental or veterinary profession, or appears only in the scientific periodicals of these professions, or is disseminated only for the purpose of public health education by persons not commercially interested, directly or indirectly, in the sale of such drugs or devices; provided, whenever the commissioner and director, acting jointly, agree that an advance in medical science has made any type of self-medication safe as to any of the diseases named above, the commissioner and director, acting jointly, shall, by regulation, authorize the advertisement of drugs having curative or therapeutic effect for such disease, subject to such conditions and restrictions as the commissioner and director, acting jointly, deem necessary in the interests of public health; and provided this section shall not be construed as indicating that self-medication for diseases other than those named herein is safe or efficacious.

- Sec. 29. Section 54-102a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- (a) The court before which is pending any case involving a violation of any provision of sections 53a-65 to 53a-89, inclusive, may, before final disposition of such case, order the examination of the accused person or, in a delinquency proceeding, the accused child to determine

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whether or not the accused person or child is suffering from any [venereal] <u>sexually transmitted</u> disease, unless the court from which such case has been transferred has ordered the examination of the accused person or child for such purpose, in which event the court to which such transfer is taken may determine that a further examination is unnecessary.

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(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 19a-582, the court before which is pending any case involving a violation of section 53-21 or any provision of sections 53a-65 to 53a-89, inclusive, that involved a sexual act, as defined in section 54-102b, may, before final disposition of such case, order the testing of the accused person or, in a delinquency proceeding, the accused child for the presence of the etiologic agent for acquired immune deficiency syndrome or human immunodeficiency virus, unless the court from which such case has been transferred has ordered the testing of the accused person or child for such purpose, in which event the court to which such transfer is taken may determine that a further test is unnecessary. If the victim of the offense requests that the accused person or child be tested, the court may order the testing of the accused person or child in accordance with this subsection and the results of such test may be disclosed to the victim. The provisions of sections 19a-581 to 19a-585, inclusive, and section 19a-590, except any provision requiring the subject of an HIV-related test to provide informed consent prior to the performance of such test and any provision that would prohibit or limit the disclosure of the results of such test to the victim under this subsection, shall apply to a test ordered under this subsection and the disclosure of the results of such test.

(c) A report of the result of such examination or test shall be filed with the Department of Public Health on a form supplied by it. If such examination discloses the presence of [venereal] sexually transmitted disease or if such test discloses the presence of the etiologic agent for acquired immune deficiency syndrome or human immunodeficiency virus, the court may make such order with reference to the continuance of the case or treatment or other disposition of such

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- 916 test shall be conducted at the expense of the Department of Public
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- 920 Sec. 30. Section 20-222 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
 - (a) No person, firm, partnership or corporation shall enter into, engage in, or carry on a funeral service business unless [an inspection certificate] a funeral home license has been issued by the department for each place of business. Any person, firm, partnership or corporation desiring to engage in the funeral service business shall submit, in writing, to the department an application upon blanks furnished by the department for [an inspection certificate] a funeral home license for a funeral service business for each place of business, and each such application shall be accompanied by a fee of three hundred seventy-five dollars and shall identify the manager. Each holder of [an inspection certificate] a funeral home license shall, annually, on or before July first, submit in writing to the Department of Public Health an application for renewal of such certificate together with a fee of one hundred ninety dollars. If the Department of Public Health issues to such applicant such [an inspection certificate] a funeral home license, the same shall be valid until July first next following, unless revoked or suspended.
 - (b) Upon receipt of an <u>initial</u> application for [an inspection certificate or renewal thereof] <u>a funeral home license</u>, the Department of Public Health shall make an inspection of each building or part thereof wherein a funeral service business is conducted or is intended to be conducted, and satisfactory proof shall be furnished the Department of Public Health that the building or part thereof, in which it is intended to conduct the funeral service business, contains an adequate sanitary preparation room equipped with tile, cement or composition flooring, necessary ventilation, sink, and hot and cold

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running water, sewage facilities, and such instruments and supplies for the preparing or embalming of dead human bodies for burial, transportation or other disposition as the Commissioner of Public Health, with advice and assistance from the board, deems necessary and suitable for the conduct and maintenance of such business.

- (c) Any person, firm, partnership or corporation desiring to change its place of business shall notify the Department of Public Health thirty days in advance of such change, and a fee of twenty-five dollars shall accompany the application for the [inspection certificate] <u>funeral home license</u> of the new premises. Any person, firm, partnership or corporation desiring to change its manager shall notify the Department of Public Health thirty days in advance of such change, on a form prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Health.
- (d) The building or part thereof in which is conducted or intended to be conducted any funeral service business shall be open at all times for inspection by the board or the Department of Public Health. The Department of Public Health may make inspections whenever it deems advisable.
- (e) If, upon inspection by the Department of Public Health, it is found that such building, equipment or instruments are in such an unsanitary condition as to be detrimental to public health, the board shall give to the applicant or operator of the funeral service business notice and opportunity for hearing as provided in the regulations adopted by the Commissioner of Public Health. At any such hearing, the Commissioner of Public Health or his designee shall be considered a member of the board and entitled to a vote. The board, or the Department of Public Health or his designee acting upon the board's finding or determination, may, after such hearing, revoke or refuse to issue or renew any such [certificate] funeral home license upon cause found after hearing. Any person aggrieved by the finding of said board or action taken by the Department of Public Health may appeal therefrom in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183.

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(f) Any of the inspections provided for in this section may be made by a person designated by the Department of Public Health or by a representative of the Commissioner of Public Health.

- (g) Any person, firm, partnership or corporation engaged in the funeral service business shall maintain at the address of record of the funeral service business identified on the [certificate of inspection] funeral home license the following:
- (1) All records relating to contracts for funeral services, prepaid funeral service contracts or escrow accounts for a period of not less than six years after the death of the individual for whom funeral services were provided;
- (2) Copies of all death certificates, burial permits, authorizations for cremation, documentation of receipt of cremated remains and written agreements used in making arrangements for final disposition of dead human bodies, including, but not limited to, copies of the final bill and other written evidence of agreement or obligation furnished to consumers, for a period of not less than six years after such final disposition; and
- (3) Copies of price lists, for a period of not less than six years from the last date such lists were distributed to consumers.
- Sec. 31. Section 20-222a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
 - (a) Each embalmer's license [,] and funeral director's license [and inspection certificate] issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall be renewed, except for cause, by the Department of Public Health upon the payment to said Department of Public Health by each applicant (1) for license renewal of the sum of one hundred fifteen dollars in the case of an embalmer, and (2) two hundred thirty-five dollars in the case of a funeral director. [, and (2) for inspection certificate renewal of the sum of one hundred ninety dollars for each certificate to be renewed. Fees for renewal of inspection certificates

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- shall be given to the Department of Public Health on or before July first in each year and the renewal of inspection certificates shall begin on July first of each year and shall be valid for one calendar year.] Licenses shall be renewed in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88, as amended by this act.
- 1016 (b) Each funeral home license issued pursuant to the provisions of 1017 this chapter shall be renewed on an annual basis, except for cause, by 1018 the Department of Public Health upon payment to said department in 1019 the amount of one hundred ninety dollars for each funeral home 1020 license renewed. Fees for renewal of a funeral home license shall be 1021 given to the Department of Public Health on or before July first in each 1022 year and the renewal of the funeral home license shall begin on July 1023 first of each year and be valid for one calendar year. The department 1024 shall complete an inspection, not less than triennially, of each place of 1025 business that has been issued a funeral home license.
- Sec. 32. Section 20-222c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- Upon the transfer of more than a fifty per cent ownership share, discontinuance or termination of a funeral service business, the person, firm, partnership or corporation to whom the [inspection certificate] funeral home license has been issued shall:

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- (1) Notify each person who has purchased a prepaid funeral service contract from such funeral service business of such transfer, discontinuance or termination;
- (2) Mail a letter to each person for whom the funeral service business is storing cremated remains notifying such person of such transfer, discontinuance or termination; and
- (3) Provide the Department of Public Health with a notice of such transfer, discontinuance or termination and a list of all unclaimed cremated remains held by the funeral service business at the time of such transfer, discontinuance or termination not later than ten days

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Sec. 33. Section 20-227 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

The Department of Public Health may refuse to grant a license [or inspection certificate] or the board may take any of the actions set forth in section 19a-17 against a licensee [,] or registrant [or holder of an inspection certificate] if it finds the existence of any of the following grounds: (1) The practice of any fraud or deceit in obtaining or attempting to obtain a license [,] or registration; [or inspection certificate;] (2) violation of the statutes or regulations of said department relative to the business of embalming or funeral directing in this state; (3) the conviction of a crime in the course of professional activities; (4) incompetency, negligence or misconduct in the carrying on of such business or profession; (5) violation of or noncompliance with the provisions of this chapter or the rules established hereunder; (6) loaning, borrowing or using a license [or inspection certificate] of another, or knowingly aiding or abetting in any way the granting of an improper license; [or inspection certificate;] (7) aiding or abetting the practice of embalming or funeral directing by an unlicensed person; (8) physical or mental illness, emotional disorder or loss of motor skill, including but not limited to, deterioration through the aging process; or (9) abuse or excessive use of drugs, including alcohol, narcotics or chemicals. The Commissioner of Public Health may order a license holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if his physical or mental capacity to practice safely is the subject of an investigation. Said commissioner may petition the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to enforce such order of any action taken pursuant to section 19a-17. The Department of Public Health shall not refuse to renew any license [or inspection certificate] nor shall the board suspend any such license [,] or registration [or inspection certificate] until the holder thereof has been given notice and opportunity for hearing in accordance with the regulations adopted by the Commissioner of Public Health. Any person aggrieved by the action of said department in refusing to renew a license [or inspection

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1076 certificate] or by the action of said board in suspending or revoking 1077 any license [,] or registration [or inspection certificate] under the 1078 provisions of this chapter or action taken under section 19a-17 may 1079 appeal therefrom in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183. 1080 No person whose license [,] or registration [or inspection certificate] is 1081 suspended or revoked shall, during such suspension or revocation, 1082 enter or engage, either personally or through any corporation, 1083 partnership or other organization, or through any agent, in any of the 1084 activities which such license [,] or registration [or inspection certificate] 1085 entitled [him] such person to engage in; nor shall any such person 1086 receive any money or any other valuable consideration on account of 1087 engaging in any of such activities. No person shall pay, promise, offer 1088 or give to anyone whose license [,] or registration [or inspection 1089 certificate] is suspended or revoked any money or other valuable 1090 consideration for engaging in any of the activities which such license 1091 [,] or registration [or inspection certificate] entitled [him] such person 1092 to engage in.

- Sec. 34. Section 19a-570 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- For purposes of this section and sections 19a-571 to [19a-580c] <u>19a-580g</u>, inclusive:
- (1) "Advance health care directive" or "advance directive" means a writing executed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, including, but not limited to, a living will, or an appointment of health care representative, or both;
- (2) "Appointment of health care representative" means a document executed in accordance with section 19a-575a, as amended by this act, or 19a-577, as amended by this act, that appoints a health care representative to make health care decisions for the declarant in the event the declarant becomes incapacitated;
- 1106 (3) "Advanced practice registered nurse" means an advanced 1107 practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 who is

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1108 selected by, or assigned to, the patient, who has primary responsibility 1109 for the treatment and care of the patient; 1110 [(3)] (4) "Attending physician" means [the] a physician licensed 1111 pursuant to chapter 370 who is selected by, or assigned to, the patient, 1112 who has primary responsibility for the treatment and care of the 1113 patient; 1114 [(4)] (5) "Beneficial medical treatment" includes the use of medically 1115 appropriate treatment, including surgery, treatment, medication and 1116 the utilization of artificial technology to sustain life; 1117 [(5)] (6) "Health care representative" means the individual 1118 appointed by a declarant pursuant to an appointment of health care 1119 representative for the purpose of making health care decisions on behalf of the declarant; 1120 1121 [(6)] (7) "Incapacitated" means being unable to understand and 1122 appreciate the nature and consequences of health care decisions, 1123 including the benefits and disadvantages of such treatment, and to 1124 reach and communicate an informed decision regarding the treatment; 1125 [(7)] (8) "Life support system" means any medical procedure or 1126 intervention which, when applied to an individual, would serve only to postpone the moment of death or maintain the individual in a state 1127 1128 of permanent unconsciousness, including, but not limited to, 1129 mechanical or electronic devices, including artificial means of 1130 providing nutrition or hydration; 1131 [(8)] (9) "Living will" means a written statement in compliance with 1132 section 19a-575a, as amended by this act, containing a declarant's 1133 wishes concerning any aspect of his or her health care, including the 1134 withholding or withdrawal of life support systems; 1135 [(9)] (10) "Next of kin" means any member of the following classes of 1136 persons, in the order of priority listed: (A) The spouse of the patient; 1137 (B) an adult son or daughter of the patient; (C) either parent of the

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1138 1139	patient; (D) an adult brother or sister of the patient; and (E) a grandparent of the patient;		
1140	[(10)] (11) "Permanently unconscious" means an irreversible		
1141	condition in which the individual is at no time aware of himself or		
1142	herself or the environment and shows no behavioral response to the		
1143	environment and includes permanent coma and persistent vegetative		
1144	state;		
1145	[(11)] (12) "Terminal condition" means the final stage of an incurable		
1146	or irreversible medical condition which, without the administration of		
1147	a life support system, will result in death within a relatively short time		
1148	period, in the opinion of the attending physician.		
1149	Sec. 35. Section 19a-575 of the general statutes is repealed and the		
1150	following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2018):		
1151	Any person eighteen years of age or older may execute a document		
1152	that contains directions as to any aspect of health care, including the		
1153	withholding or withdrawal of life support systems. Such document		
1154	shall be signed and dated by the maker with at least two witnesses and		
1155	may be in substantially the following form:		
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T2	AND WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS.		
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1156	If the time comes when I am incapacitated to the point when I can		
1157	no longer actively take part in decisions for my own life, and am		
1158	unable to direct my physician or advanced practice registered nurse as		
1159	to my own medical care, I wish this statement to stand as a testament		
1160	of my wishes.		
1161	"I, (Name), request that, if my condition is deemed terminal or if		
1162	it is determined that I will be permanently unconscious, I be allowed to		

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1163	die and not be kept alive through life support systems. By terminal
1164	condition, I mean that I have an incurable or irreversible medical
1165	condition which, without the administration of life support systems,
1166	will, in the opinion of my attending physician or advanced practice
1167	registered nurse, result in death within a relatively short time. By
1168	permanently unconscious I mean that I am in a permanent coma or
1169	persistent vegetative state which is an irreversible condition in which I
1170	am at no time aware of myself or the environment and show no
1171	behavioral response to the environment. The life support systems
1172	which I do not want include, but are not limited to:
Г3	Artificial respiration
Γ4	Cardiopulmonary resuscitation
Г5	Artificial means of providing nutrition and hydration
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1173	(Cross out and initial life support systems you want administered)
1174	I do not intend any direct taking of my life, but only that my dying
1175	not be unreasonably prolonged."
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1176	Other specific requests:
1177	WThis request is used a often sampled reflection, while I are of sound
1177	"This request is made, after careful reflection, while I am of sound
1178	mind."
Γ6	(Signature)
Γ7	(Date)
1179	This document was signed in our presence, by the above-named
1180	(Name) who appeared to be eighteen years of age or older, of sound

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mind and able to understand the nature and consequences of health

care decisions at the time the document was signed.

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1183 1184	Sec. 36. Section 19a-575a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (<i>Effective October 1, 2018</i>):		
1185	(a) Any person eighteen years of age or older may execute a		
1186	document that contains health care instructions, the appointment of		
1187	health care representative, the designation of a conservator of the		
1188	person for future incapacity and a document of anatomical gift. Any		
1189	such document shall be signed and dated by the maker with at least		
1190	two witnesses and may be in the substantially following form:		
1191	THESE ARE MY HEALTH CARE INSTRUCTIONS.		
1192	MY APPOINTMENT OF A HEALTH CARE REPRESENTATIVE,		
1193	THE DESIGNATION OF MY CONSERVATOR OF THE PERSON		
1194	FOR MY FUTURE INCAPACITY		
1195	AND		
1196	MY DOCUMENT OF ANATOMICAL GIFT		
1197	To any physician or advanced practice registered nurse who is		
1198	treating me: These are my health care instructions including those		
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1201	designation of my conservator of the person for future incapacity and		
1202	my document of anatomical gift. As my physician or advanced		
1203	practice registered nurse, you may rely on these health care		
1204	instructions and any decision made by my health care representative		

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or conservator of my person, if I am incapacitated to the point when I can no longer actively take part in decisions for my own life, and am unable to direct my physician <u>or advanced practice registered nurse</u> as to my own medical care.

I, ..., the author of this document, request that, if my condition is deemed terminal or if I am determined to be permanently unconscious, I be allowed to die and not be kept alive through life support systems. By terminal condition, I mean that I have an incurable or irreversible medical condition which, without the administration of life support systems, will, in the opinion of my attending physician or advanced practice registered nurse, result in death within a relatively short time. By permanently unconscious I mean that I am in a permanent coma or persistent vegetative state which is an irreversible condition in which I am at no time aware of myself or the environment and show no behavioral response to the environment. The life support systems which I do not want include, but are not limited to: Artificial respiration, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and artificial means of providing nutrition and hydration. I do want sufficient pain medication to maintain my physical comfort. I do not intend any direct taking of my life, but only that my dying not be unreasonably prolonged.

I appoint to be my health care representative. If my attending physician or advanced practice registered nurse determines that I am unable to understand and appreciate the nature and consequences of health care decisions and unable to reach and communicate an informed decision regarding treatment, my health care representative is authorized to make any and all health care decisions for me, including (1) the decision to accept or refuse any treatment, service or procedure used to diagnose or treat my physical or mental condition, except as otherwise provided by law such as for psychosurgery or shock therapy, as defined in section 17a-540, and (2) the decision to provide, withhold or withdraw life support systems. I direct my health care representative to make decisions on my behalf in accordance with my wishes, as stated in this document or as otherwise known to my

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1239 health care representative. In the event my wishes are not clear or a 1240 situation arises that I did not anticipate, my health care representative 1241 may make a decision in my best interests, based upon what is known 1242 of my wishes. 1243 If is unwilling or unable to serve as my health care 1244 representative, I appoint to be my alternative health care 1245 representative. 1246 If a conservator of my person should need to be appointed, I 1247 designate be appointed my conservator. If is unwilling or unable 1248 to serve as my conservator, I designate I designate to be 1249 successor conservator. No bond shall be required of either of them in 1250 any jurisdiction. 1251 I hereby make this anatomical gift, if medically acceptable, to take 1252 effect upon my death. 1253 I give: (check one) T12 (1) any needed organs or parts (2) only the following organs or parts T13 1254 to be donated for: (check one) T14 (1) any of the purposes stated in subsection (a) of section 19a-289j T15 (2) these limited purposes 1255 These requests, appointments, and designations are made after 1256 careful reflection, while I am of sound mind. Any party receiving a 1257 duly executed copy or facsimile of this document may rely upon it

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unless such party has received actual notice of my revocation of it.

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T16 Date, 20.. T17 L.S. 1259 This document was signed in our presence by the author of this 1260 document, who appeared to be eighteen years of age or older, of sound 1261 mind and able to understand the nature and consequences of health 1262 care decisions at the time this document was signed. The author 1263 appeared to be under no improper influence. We have subscribed this 1264 document in the author's presence and at the author's request and in 1265 the presence of each other. T18 T19 (Witness) (Witness) T20 T21 (Number and Street) (Number and Street) T22 T23 (City, State and Zip Code) (City, State and Zip Code) T24 STATE OF CONNECTICUT T25 T26 COUNTY OF T27 1266 We, the subscribing witnesses, being duly sworn, say that we 1267 witnessed the execution of these health care instructions, the 1268 appointments of a health care representative, the designation of a 1269 conservator for future incapacity and a document of anatomical gift by 1270 the author of this document; that the author subscribed, published and

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declared the same to be the author's instructions, appointments and

designation in our presence; that we thereafter subscribed the

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T29	(Witness) (Witness)		
1279	Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of 20		
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T31	Commissioner of the Superior Court		
T32	Notary Public		
T33	My commission expires:		
1280	(Print or type name of all persons signing under all signatures)		
1281	(b) Except as provided in section 19a-579b, an appointment of health		
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1283	and the writing shall be signed by the declarant and two witnesses.		
1284	(c) The attending physician or other health care provider shall make		
1285	the revocation of an appointment of health care representative a part of		
1286	the declarant's medical record.		
1287	(d) In the absence of knowledge of the revocation of an appointment		
1288	of health care representative, a person who carries out an advance		
1289	directive pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall not be subject		
1290	to civil or criminal liability or discipline for unprofessional conduct for		
1291	carrying out such advance directive.		
1292	(e) The revocation of an appointment of health care representative		

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does not, of itself, revoke the living will of the declarant.

Sec. 37. Section 19a-576 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

- (a) Any person eighteen years of age or older may appoint a health care representative by executing a document in accordance with section 19a-575a, as amended by this act, or section 19a-577, as amended by this act, signed and dated by such person in the presence of two adult witnesses who shall also sign the document. The person appointed as representative shall not act as witness to the execution of such document or sign such document.
- (b) For persons who reside in facilities operated or licensed by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, at least one witness shall be an individual who is not affiliated with the facility and at least one witness shall be a physician, advanced practice registered nurse or licensed clinical psychologist with specialized training in treating mental illness.
 - (c) For persons who reside in facilities operated or licensed by the Department of Developmental Services, at least one witness shall be an individual who is not affiliated with the facility and at least one witness shall be a physician, advanced practice registered nurse or licensed clinical psychologist with specialized training in developmental disabilities.
 - (d) An operator, administrator or employee of a hospital, residential care home, rest home with nursing supervision or chronic and convalescent nursing home may not be appointed as a health care representative by any person who, at the time of the appointment, is a patient or a resident of, or has applied for admission to, one of the foregoing facilities. An administrator or employee of a government agency that is financially responsible for a person's medical care may not be appointed as a health care representative for such person. This restriction shall not apply if such operator, administrator or employee is related to the principal by blood, marriage or adoption.

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(e) A physician <u>or advanced practice registered nurse</u> shall not act as both health care representative for a principal and attending physician <u>or advanced practice registered nurse</u> for the principal.

Sec. 38. Section 19a-577 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

Any person eighteen years of age or older may execute a document that may, but need not be, in substantially the following form:

DOCUMENT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT

OF HEALTH CARE REPRESENTATIVE

"I understand that, as a competent adult, I have the right to make decisions about my health care. There may come a time when I am unable, due to incapacity, to make my own health care decisions. In these circumstances, those caring for me will need direction and will turn to someone who knows my values and health care wishes. By signing this appointment of health care representative, I appoint a health care representative with legal authority to make health care decisions on my behalf in such case or at such time.

I appoint (Name) to be my health care representative. If my attending physician or advanced practice registered nurse determines that I am unable to understand and appreciate the nature and consequences of health care decisions and to reach and communicate an informed decision regarding treatment, my health care representative is authorized to (1) accept or refuse any treatment, service or procedure used to diagnose or treat my physical or mental condition, except as otherwise provided by law, such as for psychosurgery or shock therapy, as defined in section 17a-540, and (2) make the decision to provide, withhold or withdraw life support systems. I direct my health care representative to make decisions on my behalf in accordance with my wishes as stated in a living will, or as otherwise known to my health care representative. In the event my wishes are not clear or a situation arises that I did not anticipate, my

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1358	If this person is unwilling or unable to serve as my health care		
1359	representative, I appoint (Name) to be my alternative health care		
1360	representative."		
1361	"This request is made, after careful reflection, while I am of sound		
1362	mind."		
T34	(Signature)		
T35	(Date)		
1363	This document was signed in our presence, by the above-named		
1364	(Name) who appeared to be eighteen years of age or older, of sound		
1365	mind and able to understand the nature and consequences of health		
1366	care decisions at the time the document was signed.		
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T37	(Address)		
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1367	Sec. 39. Section 19a-579 of the general statutes is repealed and the		
1368	following is substituted in lieu thereof (<i>Effective October 1, 2018</i>):		
1369	A living will or appointment of health care representative becomes		
1370	operative when (1) the document is furnished to the attending		
1371	physician or advanced practice registered nurse, and (2) the declarant		
1372	is determined by the attending physician or advanced practice		
1373	registered nurse to be incapacitated. At any time after the appointment		
1374	of a health care representative, the attending physician or advanced		

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practice registered nurse shall disclose such determination of incapacity, in writing, upon the request of the person named as the health care representative.

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- Sec. 40. Subsection (a) of section 19a-491 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
- (a) No person acting individually or jointly with any other person shall establish, conduct, operate or maintain an institution in this state without a license as required by this chapter, except for persons issued a license by the Commissioner of Children and Families pursuant to section 17a-145 for the operation of (1) a substance abuse treatment facility, or (2) a facility for the purpose of caring for women during pregnancies and for women and their infants following such pregnancies. Application for such license shall (A) be made to the Department of Public Health upon forms provided by it, (B) be accompanied by the fee required under subsection (c), (d) or (e) of this section, [and] (C) contain such information as the department requires, which may include affirmative evidence of ability to comply with reasonable standards and regulations prescribed under the provisions of this chapter, and (D) not be required to be notarized. The commissioner may require as a condition of licensure that an applicant sign a consent order providing reasonable assurances of compliance with the Public Health Code. The commissioner may issue more than one chronic disease hospital license to a single institution until such time as the state offers a rehabilitation hospital license.
- Sec. 41. Section 31-44 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):
 - Each owner, lessee or occupant of a factory or other building included within the provisions of this chapter, or owning or controlling the use of any room in such building, shall, for the violation of any provision of section 31-42, [or 31-43,] or for obstructing or hindering the commissioner or the commissioner's deputies in

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1407 carrying out the duties imposed on them by law, be fined not more 1408 than fifty dollars; but no prosecution shall be brought for any such violation until four weeks after notice has been given by the 1409 1410 commissioner to such owner, lessee or occupant of any changes 1411 necessary to be made to comply with the provisions of said sections, 1412 and not then if, in the meantime, such changes have been made in accordance with such notification. Nothing herein shall limit the right 1413 1414 of a person injured to bring an action to recover damages.

1415 Sec. 42. Sections 19a-59e, 21-7, 31-43 and 38a-558 of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2018*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following				
sections:				
Section 1	October 1, 2018	19a-72(a)(3)		
Sec. 2	October 1, 2018	19a-14(a)(15)(B)		
Sec. 3	October 1, 2018	19a-499(b)		
Sec. 4	October 1, 2018	20-126l(a)(2)		
Sec. 5	October 1, 2018	19a-6i(b)		
Sec. 6	October 1, 2018	7-51a(c)		
Sec. 7	October 1, 2018	19a-62a		
Sec. 8	October 1, 2018	10-206(b)		
Sec. 9	October 1, 2018	10-206(f)		
Sec. 10	October 1, 2018	20-195q(c)		
Sec. 11	October 1, 2018	19a-496(b)		
Sec. 12	October 1, 2018	19a-490n		
Sec. 13	October 1, 2018	19a-490o		
Sec. 14	October 1, 2018	19a-127l(f) to (j)		
Sec. 15	October 1, 2018	19a-32		
Sec. 16	October 1, 2018	19a-538		
Sec. 17	October 1, 2018	19a-177(8)		
Sec. 18	October 1, 2018	20-110		
Sec. 19	October 1, 2018	19a-88(e)(3)		
Sec. 20	October 1, 2018	19a-36g		
Sec. 21	October 1, 2018	19a-36m		
Sec. 22	October 1, 2018	22-6r(d)		
Sec. 23	October 1, 2018	19a-36f(a)		
Sec. 24	October 1, 2018	4-106		
Sec. 25	October 1, 2018	18-94		

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Sec. 26	October 1, 2018	19a-7p(a)
Sec. 27	October 1, 2018	19a-216(a)
Sec. 28	October 1, 2018	21a-114
Sec. 29	October 1, 2018	54-102a
Sec. 30	October 1, 2018	20-222
Sec. 31	October 1, 2018	20-222a
Sec. 32	October 1, 2018	20-222c
Sec. 33	October 1, 2018	20-227
Sec. 34	October 1, 2018	19a-570
Sec. 35	October 1, 2018	19a-575
Sec. 36	October 1, 2018	19a-575a
Sec. 37	October 1, 2018	19a-576
Sec. 38	October 1, 2018	19a-577
Sec. 39	October 1, 2018	19a-579
Sec. 40	October 1, 2018	19a-491(a)
Sec. 41	October 1, 2018	31-44
Sec. 42	October 1, 2018	Repealer section

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Department of Public Health's recommendations regarding various revisions to the public health statutes.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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